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Dear Weinland Park Community Mobility Plan Stakeholder:

Thank you for working with the City of Columbus in developing a Community Mobility Plan for Weinland Park. Together we are making progress toward our City's goal to make Weinland Park a safer, more walkable and bike-friendly residential neighborhood.

We are pleased to report that we are nearing completion on the study of improvements for the crosswalks in the High Street, Fourth Street and Summit Street corridors between 5th Avenue and 12th Avenue, as well as mobility and walkability improvements on side streets. Meetings will be held in the coming weeks to provide information about the mobility plan that will be completed in 2009.

This planning effort is looking at many issues and challenges, including the potential future conversion of both Fourth and Summit Streets from one-way to two-way operation. Such a major change in traffic flow requires significant study and cooperation. Because the City is committed to meeting our deadlines of finishing a plan in the summer of 2009, we must delay the two-way conversion study and final determinations until a later date. One factor in this decision is our work with the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) and Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) on the possibility of a light rail line in the North Corridor of Columbus that would impact vehicular flow of traffic on Summit and Fourth Streets in Weinland Park. This study may take an additional twelve months to complete.

Following completion of the work by COTA and others, the City will determine how and when to proceed with the two-way conversion study in partnership with residents and community leaders in Weinland Park. This will be based on the work that has already been conducted by the Community Mobility consultant.

Thank you for your involvement in the Community Mobility Planning process. Please contact Terry Stewart, P.E., Community Mobility Engineer, at 614-645-5671 or TLStewart@columbus.gov with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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